

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended)

A print management server to conduct a light sensitive material production management and a printing management and being connected through a network with a customer terminal provided at a customer to order a print of an image based on image data, a manufacturing section terminal provided at a manufacturing section to produce a light sensitive material, and a printing section terminal provided at a printing section to conduct printing by using the light sensitive material produced by the manufacturing section, the print management server comprising:

a receiving device section to receive order data including the image data from the customer terminal;

a production management information preparing device section to prepare production management information to administrate a production amount and a production time for the light sensitive material based on the order data received by the receiving device section;

a production management information transmitting device section to transmit the production management information prepared by the production management information preparing device section; and

an order data transmitting device section to transmit the order data received by the receiving device section to the printing section terminal.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended)

The print management server of claim 1, further comprising:  
a printing management information preparing device section to prepare printing management information to administrate a schedule of printing based on the order data received by the receiving device section; and a printing management information transmitting device section to transmit the printing management information prepared by the printing management information preparing device section to the printing section terminal.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended)

The print management server of claim 1, wherein the production management information preparing device section prepares production management information to adjust a production amount and a production time for the light sensitive material so as to make a stock amount of the light sensitive material to be a proper stock amount.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended)

The print management server of claim 3, further comprising:  
a proper stock amount setting ~~device~~ section to set the proper stock amount of the light sensitive material based on the order data so as to consume the light sensitive material within a predetermined usable time limit of the light sensitive material.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended)

The print management server of claim 4, wherein a usable time limit setting ~~device~~ section sets the usable time limit of the light sensitive material based on an inputted temperature in a warehouse preserving the light sensitive material.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended)

A print management system, comprising:  
a customer terminal provided at a customer to order a print of an image based on image data;  
a manufacturing section terminal provided at a manufacturing section to produce a light sensitive material;  
a printing section terminal provided at a printing section to conduct printing by using the light sensitive material produced by the manufacturing section; and

a print management server to conduct a light sensitive material production management and a printing management and being connected through a network with the customer terminal, the manufacturing section terminal and the printing section terminal;

the customer terminal having

an order data transmitting device section to transmit the order data including the image information to the print management server;

the print management server having

a production management information preparing device section to receive the order data transmitted from the order data transmitting device section and to prepare production management information to administrate a production amount and a production time for the light sensitive material based on the received order data;

a production management information transmitting device section to transmit the production management information prepared by the production management information preparing device section; and

an order data transmitting device section to transmit the received order data to the printing section terminal;

the manufacturing section terminal having

a production management information receiving device section to receive the production management information transmitted from the production management information transmitting device section; and

the printing section terminal having

an order data receiving device section to receive the order data transmitted from the order data transmitting device section.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended)

The print management system of claim 6, wherein the print management server has

a printing management information preparing device section to prepare printing management information to administrate a schedule of printing based on the order data; and

a printing management information transmitting device section to transmit the printing management information prepared by the printing management information preparing device section to the printing section terminal; and

the printing section terminal has

a printing management information receiving device section to receive the printing management information transmitted from the printing management information transmitting device section.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended)

A printing method by using the print management system of claim 7, comprising:

setting a proper stock amount of the light sensitive material by the print management server based on the order data so as to consume the light sensitive material within a predetermined usable time limit of the light sensitive material;

preparing production management information to adjust the production amount and the production time for the light sensitive material so as to make a stock amount of the light sensitive material stored in a memory to be a proper stock amount;

producing the light sensitive material by the manufacturing section based on the production management information received by the production management information receiving device section; and

conducting printing by the printing section based on the order data transmitted by the order data receiving device section.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended)

The printing method of claim 8, wherein the step of printing is conducted based on the printing management

information transmitted from the printing management information  
transmitting device section.